REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated October 4, 2007, claims 17-20 have been canceled from the application. Because these corrections do not involve new matter, and do not expand the scope of the invention, it is believed that they may be entered under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.312 without withdrawing the application from issue. Applicants' attorney notes that the Issue Fee has not yet been paid.

Should the Examiner believe minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is utged to call Applicants' undersigned attorney.

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